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## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 10/158,854 filed June 3, 2002; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace paragraph beginning at page 13, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph.

FIGS. 21(A) through 21(D) are diagrams for illustrating a guide operation of the guide member in the assembly supportive device for the magnetic tape cartridge according to the fourth embodiment of the present invention, which guide member guides the spring support rod.

Please add the following new paragraph beginning at page 13, line 7:

FIGS. 22 (A) and (B) are diagrams for illustrating a state of entry of the spring support rod as shown in FIG. 21 into a support rod guide groove.

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